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SUBJECT: PORT- AU- PRINCE RUMOR MILL ALLEGES ANTI GOH
STATEMENT IN U. S.

REF: PORT- AU- PRINCE 971

1. REVIEW OF NEW YORK TIMES OF JUNE 8 (BEING POUCHED)
REVEALS NO MENTION WHATEVER OF HAITI OR AMBASSADOR KNOX.
WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY PUBLISHED COMMENT ATTRIBUTED TO
HIM. FURTHERMORE, HE INFORMS US THAT HE HAS MADE NO
STATEMENTS NOR GRANTED ANY INTERVIEWS TO REPRESENTATIVES
OF MEDIA SINCE HIS RETURN FROM PORT- AU- PRINCE.

2. ON JUNE 7 AMBASSADOR CHALMERS ASKED DEPTOFF IF THERE
HAD BEEN ANY PRESS STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR KNOX SINCE HIS
RETURN. DEPTOFF REPLIED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY.
AFTER CHECKING WITH AMBASSADOR KNOX, DEPTOFF CALLED
CHALMERS BACK TO CONVEY KNOX' S ASSURANCES (PARA 1).

3. DEPARTMENT AGREES THAT EMBASSY PUBLIC DENIAL STATE-
MENT WOULD ONLY TEND TO PROLONG LIFE OF WHAT IS OBVIOUSLY
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UNFOUNDED RUMOR. IN CONTACTS WITH GOH OFFICIALS, HOWEVER,
EMBOFFS SHOULD DRAW ON SUBSTANCE OF PARA 1 IF MATTER IS
RAISED. ROGERS

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